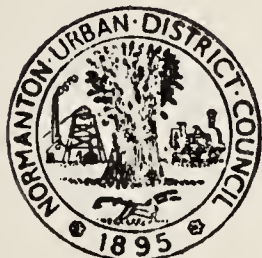


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The Urban District of Normanton



Annual Health Report

For the Year 1968

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Divisional Public Health Office,
"Castledene",
Pontefract Road,
Castleford.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour of presenting to you my twenty second (and final) Annual Report, being a report on the health of your district for the year 1968.

Comments on Vital Statistics

Following the National Trend the Birth Rate again shows a decrease and at 16.5 has, for the first time since 1962, fallen below the rate for England and Wales.

It is pleasing to note the sharp decline in the Still Birth Rate to 13.2 and also the fall in the Infant Death Rate to 13 per 1,000 Live Births. Both these rates are now below the National Average.

The Death Rate has risen from 11.9 to 13.9 due, in the main, to a quite considerable increase in deaths from heart and circulatory diseases. These deaths, in fact, accounted for a little over 47% of the total for the district.

A Cervical Cytology Clinic for the detection of cancer of the womb commenced in January, 1967. A total of 429 smears were taken during 1967 and 654 during 1968. As a result of these tests, 4 positive smears were obtained in 1967 and 6 in 1968 and these patients were referred to their own Doctors for further investigation. During 1968, 4 women having suspected breast tumours, were also referred to their own Doctors.

The Clinic has proved so successful that during 1969 a "Well Woman" Clinic is to be started which will provide for the testing of urine, blood pressure, vision, hearing and haemoglobin in addition to the normal tests at present being carried out at the Cytology Clinic.

Once again I should like to express my appreciation to all departments of the Council and to the professional and clerical staff of the Divisional Health Office for their valued help and co-operation during the year.

May I also thank the Chairman of the Public Health Committee and all members of the Council for their help and courteous reception throughout the year.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. PATERSON

Medical Officer of Health

SECTION 1 (part 1)Statistics and Social Conditions
of the Area

Area (Acres)	3,061
Population (estimated R.G.)	18,550
Number of Inhabited Houses (1938) ...	5,015
Number of Inhabited Houses (1968) ...	6,344
Rateable Value	£348,914
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£1,330
Density of Population	6.1 per acre

The Urban District is divided into four wards, namely:-

Normanton
Common
Woodhouse
Altofts

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

Comparability Factors

Births - 1.02

Deaths - 1.19

	Male	Female	Total	
<u>Live Births</u>				Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate	137	151	288	Home Population : 16.2
Illegitimate	10	2	12	(corrected 16.5)
<u>Still Births</u>				Still Birth Rate per 1,000
Legitimate	2	2	4	Live and Still Births : 13.2
Illegitimate	-	-	-	
<u>Total Births</u>				
Legitimate	139	153	292	
Illegitimate	10	2	12	
<u>Deaths</u>	118	98	216	Death Rate per 1,000 estimated
				Home Population : 11.6
				(corrected 13.9)

LIVE BIRTH RATES (per 1,000 Home Population)

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Live Birth Rate for Normanton (corrected for age and sex distribution)	19.3	20.4	18.8	17.9	17.7	16.5
Live Birth Rate for England and Wales	18.2	18.4	18.0	17.7	17.2	16.9
Live Birth Rate for the West Riding Administrative County	18.3	18.7	18.4	18.0	18.0	17.8

STILL BIRTH RATES (per 1,000 Live and Still Births)

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Still Birth Rate for Normanton	19.6	13.4	20.2	24.0	27.1	13.2
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales	17.3	16.3	15.7	15.4	14.8	14.3

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The Infantile Mortality Rate is the number of Deaths of infants under one year per 1,000 Registered Live Births.

	1965	1966	1967	1968
Number of Deaths	9	4	8	4
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 Live Births	27	12	25	13
Death Rate of Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	28	13	26	14
Death Rate for England and Wales	19	19	18	13
Death Rate for the West Riding Administrative County	21	20	19	19

Of the 4 deaths which took place of children under one year of age, 2 of them were male and 2 female. On investigation the causes of death were shown to be as follows:

Prematurity	- 1
Multiple Congenital Abnormalities	- 2
Congenital Vascular Abnormalities of Arachnoid	- 1

The age groups at which death occurred were:-

0 - 24 hours	1 - 7 days	1 - 4 weeks	1 - 12 months
3	-	-	1

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

The neo-natal mortality rate is the number of deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age per 1,000 live births.

	1965	1966	1967	1968
Number of Deaths	9	1	6	3
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 live births	26.5	3.1	18.6	10.0
Death Rate for England and Wales	13.0	12.9	12.5	12.4

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births (No. 3
(Rate 10.0)

PERINATAL MORTALITY

Stillbirths and Deaths of infants under 1 week (No. 7
per 1,000 Live and Still Births (Rate 23.0)

PREMATURE BIRTHS

Table showing details of the premature infants born in the area during 1968.

Birth Weight	TOTAL BORN				No. who died under 28 days		No. who survived 28 days
	DEAD		ALIVE				
	At Home	In Hospital	At Home	In Hospital	At Home	In Hosp.	
Under 3 lb.	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
3 - 4 lbs.	-	1	2	1	-	1	2
4 - 5½ lbs.	-	-	2	16	-	2	16
TOTAL	-	3	4	17	-	3	18

DEATH RATES (per 1,000 Home Population)

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Death Rate for Normanton (corrected for age and sex distribution)	13.5	12.8	13.1	14.1	11.9	13.9
Death Rate for England and Wales	12.2	11.3	11.5	11.7	11.2	11.9
Death Rate for the West Riding Administrative County	12.0	12.8	12.4	12.9	11.2	12.6

CRUDE RATE FOR NORMANTON

	1968
All causes	11.6
Tuberculosis, respiratory	-
Tuberculosis, other forms	-
All forms of Tuberculosis	-
Cancer of lung and bronchus	0.65
All forms of cancer	2.37
Ischaemic Heart Disease	2.32
Cerebro Vascular Disease	1.29
Pneumonia	0.86
Bronchitis and Emphysema	1.13
Respiratory diseases, all forms	2.05

CAUSES OF DEATH (figures taken
from Registrar General's Tables)

	Males	Females	Total
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	2	2	4
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	9	3	12
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms etc.	11	15	26
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	-	1	1
Diabetes Mellitus	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	3	2	5
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	1	1
Hypertensive Disease	1	2	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	30	23	53
Other Forms of Heart Disease	5	7	12
Cerebrovascular Disease	12	12	24
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	6	3	9
Pneumonia	11	5	16
Bronchitis and Emphysema	14	7	21
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Peptic Ulcer	1	1	2
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	1	1	2
Other Diseases of Digestive System	1	2	3
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	-	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	-	1	1
Congenital Anomalies	1	3	4
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	-	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	5	1	6
All Other Accidents	1	2	3
All Other External Causes	1	-	1
Total All Causes	118	98	216

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL DATA FOR THE PERIOD 1959 - 1968 INCLUSIVE

Year	Corrected Birth Rate	Corrected Death Rate	Infant- ile Mortality Rate	Maternal Mortality Rate	Cancer Death Rate	Tuberculosis Death Rate		Number of cases of:			Actual number of Deaths from:	
						Pul.	Non-Pul.	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Polio-myelitis	Pneumonia	Cancer of lung and Bronchus
1959	16.4	12.3	16	-	1.72	0.05	-	121	-	1	8	4
1960	16.8	13.1	19	3.14	2.31	0.16	-	33	-	-	6	5
1961	16.6	14.6	23	-	2.01	0.11	-	15	-	-	14	9
1962	16.7	13.1	23	-	2.43	0.05	-	14	-	-	14	7
1963	19.3	13.5	29	-	2.22	0.11	-	-	-	-	14	13
1964	20.4	12.8	41	-	1.47	-	-	15	-	-	13	8
1965	18.8	13.1	27	-	2.06	0.05	-	80	-	-	12	7
1966	17.9	14.1	12	2.99	2.05	-	-	52	-	-	14	10
1967	17.7	11.9	25	-	1.51	-	-	20	-	-	11	9
1968	16.5	13.9	13	-	2.37	-	-	4	-	-	15	12

Notified Disease	Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	3 - 4 years	5 - 9 years	10 - 14 years	15 - 24 years	24 & Over	No Age	Total	Removed to Hospital
Measles	16	75	84	94	2	2	-	1	274	-
Whooping Cough	4	3	10	15	-	-	1	-	38	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	4	-
Polionyelitis: Paralytic Non-Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	2	6	3	5	2	-	20	-

Notified Disease	0 - 5 years	5 - 14 years	15-44 years	45-64 years	65 & Over	No Age	Total	Removed to Hospital
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	3	-	1	5	7	-	16	-
Puerperial Pyrexia	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE SHOWING NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES RECEIVED 1959 - 1968

Year	Measles	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Polio- myelitis	Dysentery	Pneumonia	Food poisoning
1959	169	38	121	1	9	3	13
1960	76	77	33	-	11	15	1
1961	632	21	15	-	78	37	1
1962	70	12	14	-	2	25	1
1963	595	6	15	-	1	53	-
1964	89	52	15	-	9	29	-
1965	127	10	80	-	4	29	-
1966	351	16	53	-	4	38	-
1967	60	35	20	-	1	31	-
1968	274	38	4	-	-	16	-

TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES

Clinical facilities are available both at Wakefield and Pontefract and a Tuberculosis Health Visitor is employed, one of whose duties is to carry out regular home supervision of all the patients on the register.

Free milk is provided by the County Council at the discretion of the Divisional Medical Officer in conjunction with a recommendation by the Consultant Chest Physician in charge of the clinic.

Classification	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
All ages	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over 65	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

All close contacts of Tuberculosis must be examined at a Chest Clinic to discover, if possible, the source of infection and others suffering from the disease. This is particularly needful in the case of schoolchildren and calls for the examination of school contacts.

Ratio of contacts seen and examined by the Chest Physician relative to number of cases notified.

Number of actual cases notified	Number of contacts found and examined	Ratio of cases notified to contacts examined
1	8	8.0 to 1
3	6	2.0 to 1

In the 6 contacts who were examined, no case of active Tuberculosis was found.

Table Showing numbers on register and
Deaths from Tuberculosis, 1959 - 1968

Year	Number on Register		Number of Deaths	
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
1959	78	11	1	-
1960	73	5	3	-
1961	72	5	2	-
1962	62	4	1	-
1963	62	3	2	-
1964	62	2	-	-
1965	54	3	1	-
1966	52	3	-	-
1967	47	3	-	-
1968	49	2	-	-

Comparison between number on
Tuberculosis Register in 1967 and 1968

	1967			1968		
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total
Number of cases on Register 1st Jan.	52	3	55	47	3	50
New cases notified during the year	1	-	1	3	-	3
Restored to Register	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transferred from other areas	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	53	3	56	50	3	53
Number of cases removed from Register during the year	6	-	6	1	1	2
Number of cases left on Register at end of year	47	3	50	49	2	51

SECTION 11 (part 1)SERVICES ADMINISTERED BY THE WEST
RIDING COUNTY COUNCILCLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRESInfant Welfare Centres

No. of sessions during year	Attendances				Total Children Attending
	Born in 1968	Average per Session	Born 1963 - 1967	Average per session	
407	7,384	19.4	7,308	19.2	1,792

Ante-Natal Clinics

No. of sessions during year	No. of attendances	Average per Session	Total patients attending
98	491	5.0	113

Relaxation Clinics

No. of patients attending	146
No. of attendances	460

Ophthalmic Clinics

No. of sessions held	44
No. of children attending	642
No. of attendances	810
No. prescribed spectacles	262

Paediatric Clinics

No. of sessions held	5
No. of children attending	42
No. of attendances	46

Ear, Nose and Throat Clinics

No. of sessions held	26
No. of children attending	52
No. of attendances	139

Speech Therapy Clinics

No. of sessions held	154
No. of children attending	96

NURSING SERVICESHome Nursing Service

Total Cases 2,280

Total Visits 32,947

Average visit load per home nurse 3,922

Average accepted visit load per home nurse 3,000

Midwifery Service

No. of patients delivered in hospitals 723 (66%)

No. of patients delivered by domiciliary midwives 247 (34%)

970No. of domiciliary confinements delivered under
Gas and Air Analgesia NilNo. of domiciliary confinements delivered under
Trilene Analgesia 198 (80%)Health Visiting Service

No. of effective visits made by Health Visitors to:-

Expectant Mothers 154

Children born in 1968 4,464

Children born in 1967 2,116

Children born 1963-66 3,032

Tuberculosis households 39

Geriatric and Home Help visits etc. 14,947

Visits made by T.B. Health Visitor 1,975

Total Visits 26,727

No. of children under 5 years visited 3,041

SECTION 11 (part 3)HOME HELP SERVICE

During the year the equivalent of 51.5 full time Home Helps were employed in the Division.

Type of Case	No. of Cases	Hours	Hours as % of Total
Maternity	7	171	0.2%
Chronic Sick & Tuberculosis	117	10,572	10.1%
65 & Over	720	92,112	87.5%
Other	32	2,331	2.2%
TOTAL	876	105,186	100.0%

LIAISON WITH HOSPITAL SERVICESPREVENTION OF ILLNESS - CARE AND AFTER CARE

The four main liaison services - Spastic, Diabetic, Geriatric and Maternity have continued as in previous years and have proved most useful and helpful to all concerned.

DIABETIC LIAISON

The Liaison Health Visitor visits the Hightown Hospital to discuss all aspects of care and help required by the patients who attend. Close liaison is also maintained with the General Practitioner. Domiciliary visits are paid to diabetic patients in their own homes.

GERIATRIC LIAISON

A member of the Health Visiting staff still continues to visit Headlands Hospital for weekly case conferences with the Geriatric Consultant, Registrars and Social Workers. Here the progress of the patient and his social needs are discussed and arranged. Special emphasis continues on home help needs, housing, nursing equipment and rehabilitation.

A visit to the home is made by the Health Visitor attached to the General Practitioner of the patient to assess the social conditions and a report made to the hospital. Visiting after the discharge of the patient is also carried out.

MINIATURE MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY

Arrangements were made for the Regional Hospital Board's Miniature Mass Radiography Unit to visit the district on 20th and 23rd September when public sessions were held on a site to the rear of the Town Hall.

o. examined	405
<u>EFFECTS FOUND</u>	
<u>tuberculosis</u>	
referred to Chest Clinic Presumed Inactive	3
<u>Other Abnormalities</u>	
Referred to Chest Clinic for further observation)	
neumoconiosis	2
post-pneumonic fibrosis	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	3

SECTION 11 (part 5)MENTAL HEALTH SERVICETRAINING CENTRE FOR THE MENTALLY DEFECTIVE

In January, 1968, there were 98 Trainees on the Register. During the year 12 were admitted and 6 left, leaving a total in December, 1968, of 104.

The Adult Female staff remains unchanged. In the Male Adult Wing Mr. Clifton was successful in gaining the Senior Instructors position at Hensworth and was replaced by Mr. Battye. In the Junior Wing Mrs. Turner was transferred to Rothwell and the position filled by Mrs. Lawson. Miss Clayton (Special Care) was granted seven months leave of absence and was replaced by Mrs. Strong. Miss Leadsford, the Temporary Assistant, left and Mrs. Hancock, the General Duties Assistant, filled the vacancy.

Slow progress continues in the Junior Wing with emphasis on social and habit training. The general public have frequently told the Staff they find our children better behaved than normal children and we find this very rewarding. Local shopkeepers are very patient when we go shopping and now understand what the children want even though it is not said clearly. This difficulty disappears in the "Supermarket" where there is no need for speech but the Trainees have to discriminate between the different brands of foods, soap powders etc. Social sight and vocabulary and number recognition continue to play a big part in the Centre routine, as does sense training and telling the time. Due to the change in currency in 1970 money values have ceased to be taught.

Meals are now served "cafeteria style" - each child being asked what he or she wants. In this way there is very little waste and the names of foods learned in a practical way. Even the nursery children take their place in the queue and carry their own plate to where-ever they choose to sit. We expected to have "spills" at first but our fears have proved groundless.

The Special Care Unit continues to provide an essential service and real progress has been made. Because of the limited space, they have now taken over one of the Junior classrooms and I do not feel that it is sheer coincidence that the three who were unable to walk now do so. Much time is still spent on toilet training and feeding and good progress has been made.

Additional fan heaters have been installed in four rooms. For the first time we were really warm, even on the coldest day, and they have certainly improved working conditions for the Staff and Children alike.

The annual outings were possible through the generosity of the West Riding County Council and Parent/Teacher Association, when the Juniors spent the day at Filey and the Adults at Skegness. We fortunately had good weather on both occasions and every one thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The Christmas Party was held on 17th December. We were entertained during the afternoon by Mr. Raymond Roberts, a Magician from Featherstone, and played games after tea. Each Trainee received a gift to the value of £1 from Santa Claus, an apple and orange, given by Mr. Anderson, and a 6 oz. bag of sweets from Bellamys. The Juniors left at 4.30 p.m. but the Adults and Staff eventually left at 9.00 p.m. - very tired but happy.

MENTAL WELFARE OFFICERS

During the year there have been 104 admissions to Psychiatric Hospital in which Mental Welfare Officers have been involved, and it is pleasing to note that over 50% of these were of an informal nature.

Liaison between Psychiatrists at hospital level and General Practitioners is excellent, particularly where the practice has an attached Health Visitor. A pleasant and co-operative working arrangement is maintained between other social agencies viz: - Probation and Child Care Officers, Social Security etc.

General Practitioners have referred 62 cases during the year necessitating some form of action e.g. supportive therapy, out-patient clinic appointments or possible admission to hospital.

Other sources of referral have been Hospitals on Discharge (57), Police (12) and Local Education Authorities (6).

It is felt that special mention must be made of the Police and Ambulance service in that where Mental Welfare Officers have been involved in admissions to hospital of a difficult nature, the services mentioned have been of valuable assistance.

The Psychiatric Out-patient Clinic continues to be held every Wednesday afternoon at Boaneroft Road, Castleford, where a consultant Psychiatrist and Mental Welfare Officer are in attendance. A Social Club for the mentally ill is held every Monday evening, from 7.00 p.m. until 10.00 p.m. There are approximately 20 names on the register and on average throughout the year 10 patients have attended each session. The Castleford branch of the National Association of Mental Health also hold a social evening on a monthly basis to which our members are always invited.

The subnormal patients in the community are visited as often as possible to offer support and any guidance that may be needed to relatives and friends.

Regular visits to the Training Centre for the subnormal are made by the Mental Welfare Officers, a close and co-operative working method is maintained.

SECTION 11 (part 6)

HEALTH EDUCATION

The work of the Health Visitor includes health education; this subject deals with all aspects of positive health and the prevention of disease.

Teaching is carried out on a personal basis in the home to all members of the family and, therefore, ranges from child care, diet, hygiene, prevention of accidents in the home and the special needs of the aged.

More formal teaching takes place in the Clinics in small groups where visual aids are used. In addition to this type of health education individual advice is given by the Staff to all Mothers who attend.

In some of the Secondary Modern Schools programmes a series of talks are arranged and given by the Health Visitor, who uses film strips and films.

During the year the Film - "Narcotics - The Decision" dealing with the dangers of drug taking was shown in all Secondary Modern, Grammar and Technical Schools who wished to avail themselves of it. A Departmental Medical Officer was present to discuss the film and answer questions.

In the field of Ante-Natal care and preparation for delivery very valuable work continues to be undertaken by the midwives at the classes of instruction held in the Clinics. Special exercises are taught and talks are given together with practical demonstrations. The visual aids used are of a very high standard.

SECTION 11 (part 7)

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

Periodic Inspections

Year of Birth	No. of Pupils Inspected	Physical Condition of pupils inspected		Selectives: No. of pupils found not to warrant a medical examination. (commenced September, 1968).
		Satisfactory	Un-Satisfactory	
1964 & later	245	244	1	-
1963	439	435	4	-
1962	260	258	2	-
1961	32	32	-	-
1960	633	629	4	-
1959	324	323	1	-
1958	45	44	1	-
1957	71	71	-	239
1956	247	247	-	119
1955	97	97	-	-
1954	622	620	2	-
1953 & earlier	623	622	1	-
TOTALS	3,638	3,622	16	358

Cleanliness Inspections Routine cleanliness inspections are carried out at every school periodically by Health Visitors. During 1968 individual examinations totalled 17,940 out of which 113 (0.6%) cases of uncleanness were found.

SECTION 11 (part 8)

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

B.C.G. Vaccination

	1968	
No. of 13 year old children on school register at beginning of year plus absentees from previous years.		1151
No. offered tuberculin testing and vaccination if necessary.		1151
No. of acceptances		1064
No. tested		1048
No. found who gave a positive reaction	105	
No. negative	923	
No. not ascertained	<u>20</u>	1048
No. vaccinated		923
Percentage of children who gave a positive reaction		10%
Percentage of children who have presumably never been in contact with Tuberculosis and were discovered during the year		90%

Diphtheria Immunisation

The following table shows the immunisations carried out during the year.

Primary		Refresher	
0 - 4	5 - 15	0 - 4	5 - 15
541	99	113	557

Vaccination against Poliomyelitis The following list shows the number of adults and children who received vaccination during the year.

Children aged 6 months - 15 years

Number who completed a primary course	618
Number who received a first booster	691

Adults 15 - 40 years

Number who completed a primary course	23
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Vaccination against Whooping Cough - No. Vaccinated

Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	2 - 3 years	3 - 4 years	4 - 5 years	Total
98	395	22	16	4	535

Vaccination against Smallpox - No. Vaccinated

	Under 1 year	1 year	2 - 4 years	5 - 15 years	Total
Vaccinated	7	92	76	22	197
Re-Vaccinated	-	-	1	9	10

SECTION 111GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE HEALTH SERVICESA. HOSPITALS

The hospital facilities available within the Normanton Urban District remain as follows:

General Hospital Accommodation

All hospitals providing facilities for cases from the Normanton Urban District are managed by the Castleford, Pontefract & Goole Hospital Management Committee, under the administration of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board. The hospitals are situated in Pontefract and Castleford. Additional facilities are also provided in Leeds and Wakefield.

Maternity Hospitals and Maternity Homes

The booking of beds for expectant mothers at the Castleford Maternity Home is carried out through the Divisional Health Office on an agency basis, the number of beds available for the Divisional Area being at present 46. Abnormal cases are referred by their own general practitioners either for direct booking or as emergency cases to Manygates Maternity Hospital, Wakefield.

Isolation Hospitals

Any case of acute poliomyelitis is normally admitted to Seacroft Hospital at Leeds, while patients suffering from other infectious diseases are admitted to either the same hospital, or more generally to the Burntwood Hospital, Brierley.

B. AMBULANCE SERVICE

The West Riding County Council provide the ambulance service for the Normanton District and the local depot is situated in Snawthorne Lane, Castleford, Telephone No. 2251.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

The Medical Research Council of the Ministry of Health is responsible for the administration of the Public Health Laboratory, Wood Street, Wakefield. Specimens for bacteriological, virological, entomological and chemical investigations are accepted by the Laboratory from general practitioners and Public Health Department Staff.

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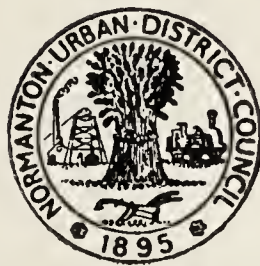
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The Urban District of Normanton



Annual Report

OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

For the Year 1968

**Public Health Inspector :
F. WILSON, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H., A.M. Inst. P.C.**



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
ON THE WORK OF HIS DEPARTMENT
FOR THE YEAR 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the
Urban District Council of Normanton

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting to you my Annual Report on the Sanitary and Cleansing Service for the year 1968. The report on Sanitary Administration covers the year ending 31st December, 1968, whilst the Cleansing Section is for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1969.

Much routine work was done during the year under the Public Health Acts and as a result a considerable amount of repairs were carried out.

Many improvement and standard grant applications were made during the year, in the main by owner/occupiers, and the Council continued to help in these cases as much as possible, whilst deploring at the same time the failure of some landlords to take advantage of these grants. On the other hand some owners and agents were at last beginning to take advantage of the scheme.

With regard to Slum Clearance six Clearance Areas were declared by the Council during the year, comprising 111 houses and in addition reports were made to the Council in respect of two individual unfit houses, on which Demolition Orders were made, and on 2 Council owned properties.

During the year, much work was done under the Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act 1963, and many contraventions were found and the necessary notices served.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOUSING ACTS

A considerable proportion of the work of my department is still devoted to the elimination of nuisances, sanitary defects and housing repairs generally.

The following is a summary of the work in this connection:-

Total number of Nuisance Inspections made	496
Total number of Inspections made	2145
Total number of houses inspected under Public Health and Housing Acts	402
Total number of Informal Notices served	138
Total number of Statutory Notices served Public Health Act	63

These were split up as follows:-

Public Health Act 1936

Section 39 Notices	6
Section 45 Notices	15
Section 75 Notices	5
Section 93 Notices	35

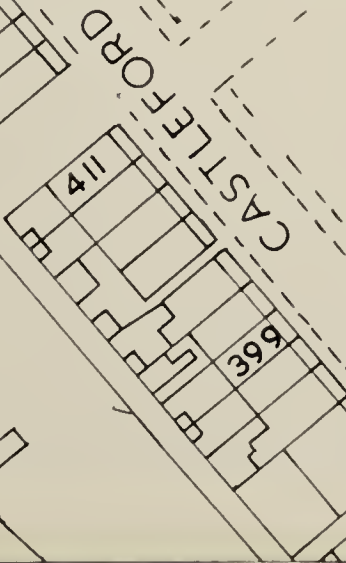
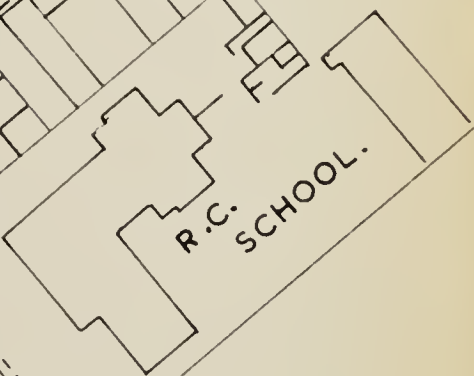
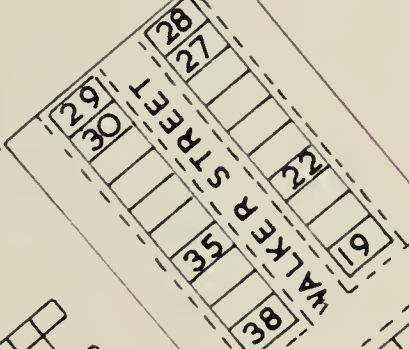
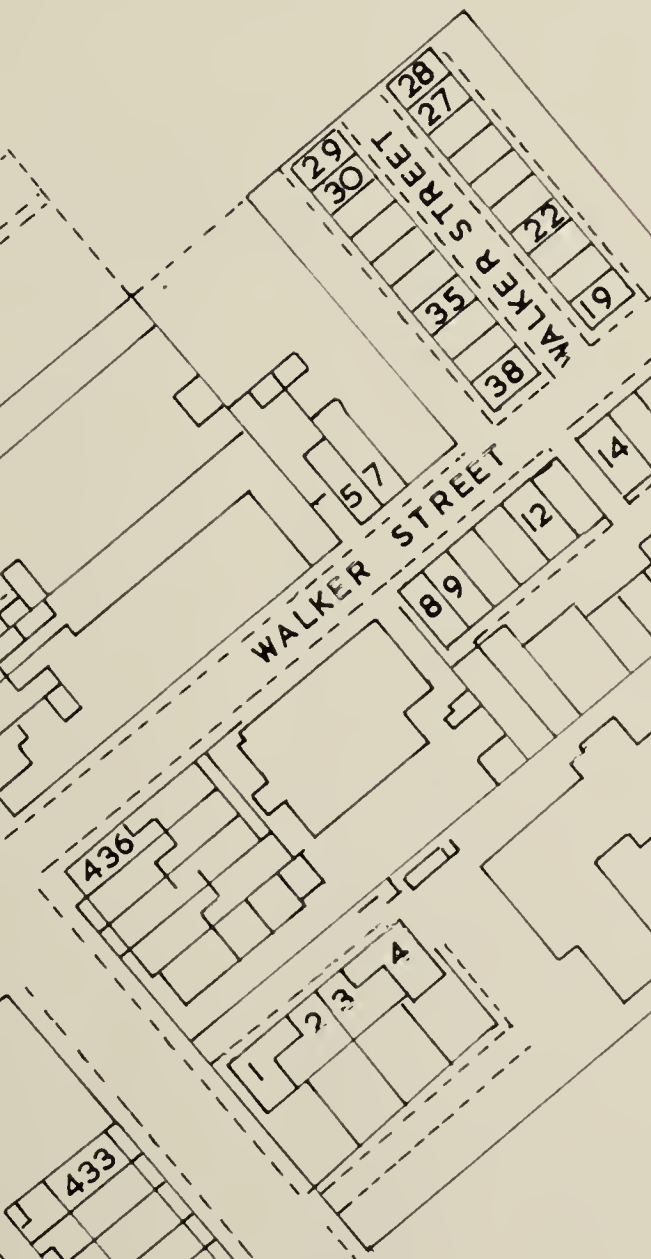
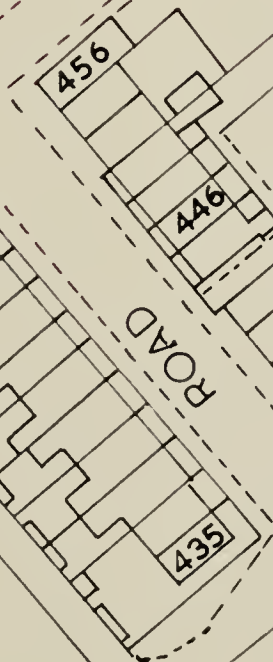
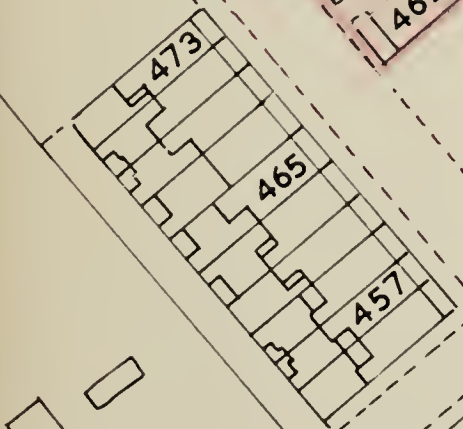
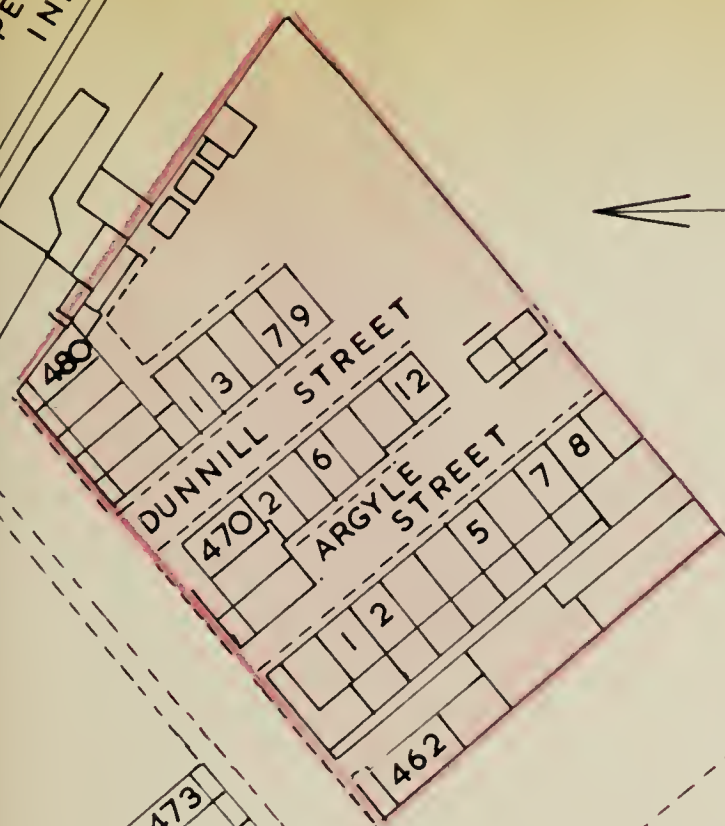
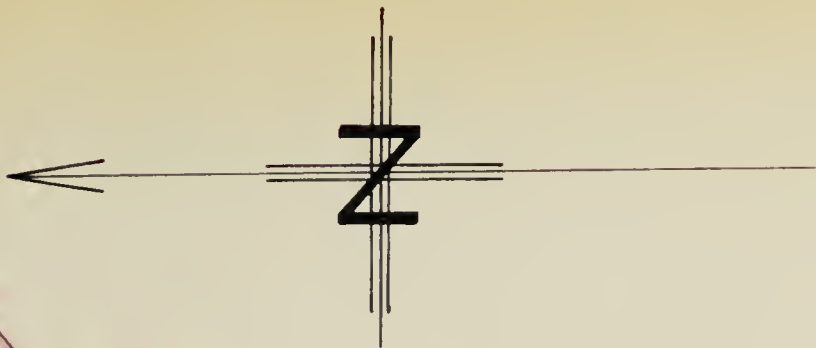
Public Health Act 1961

Section 17 Notices	2
Section 18 Notices	-
Section 26 Notices	-

Total	63
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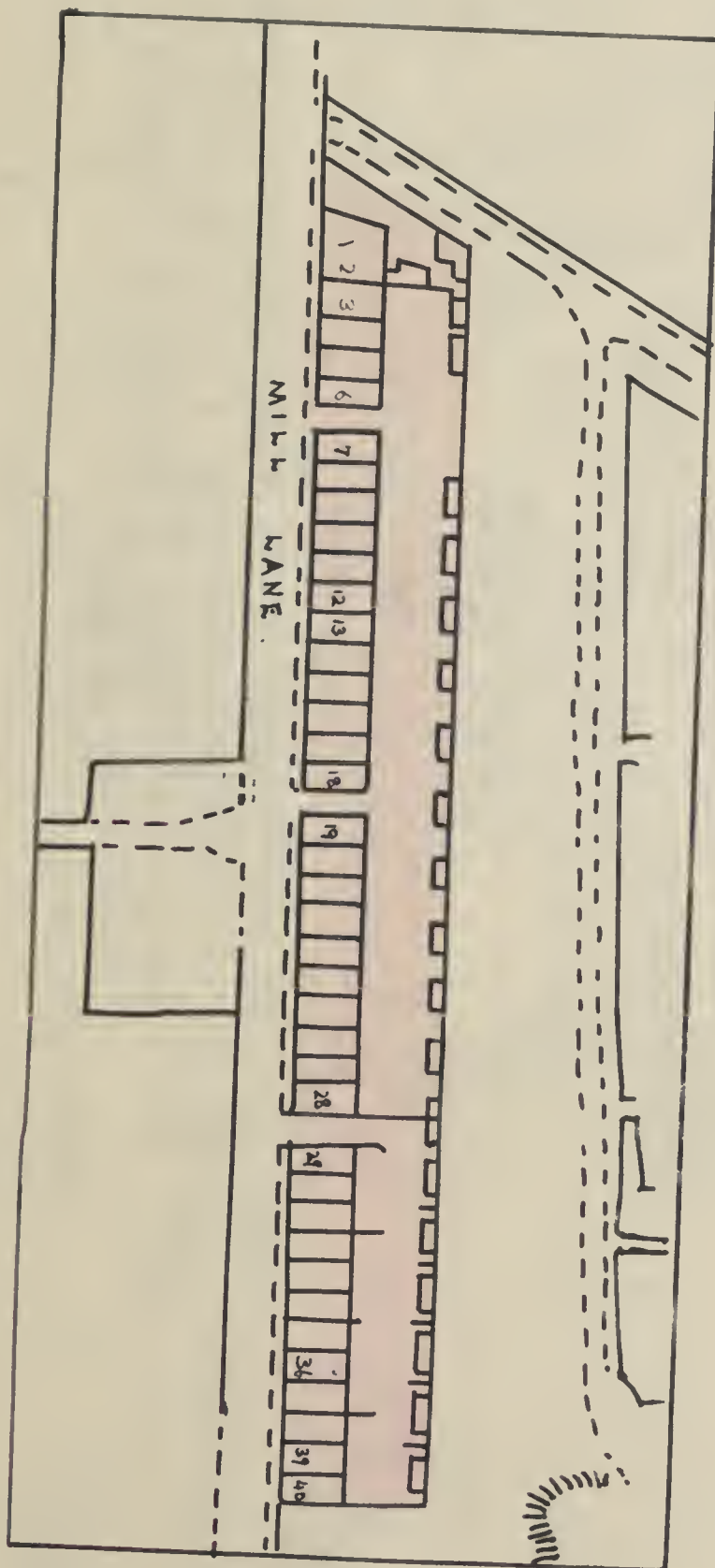
Section 93 Final Notices	12
Nuisances outstanding end of 1967	67
Nuisances found 1966	201
Total needing abatement	268
Abated during 1967	203
Outstanding end of 1967	65
Notices served under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1957	Nil
Notices under Section 9 complied with by the Local Authority in default of owners	Nil

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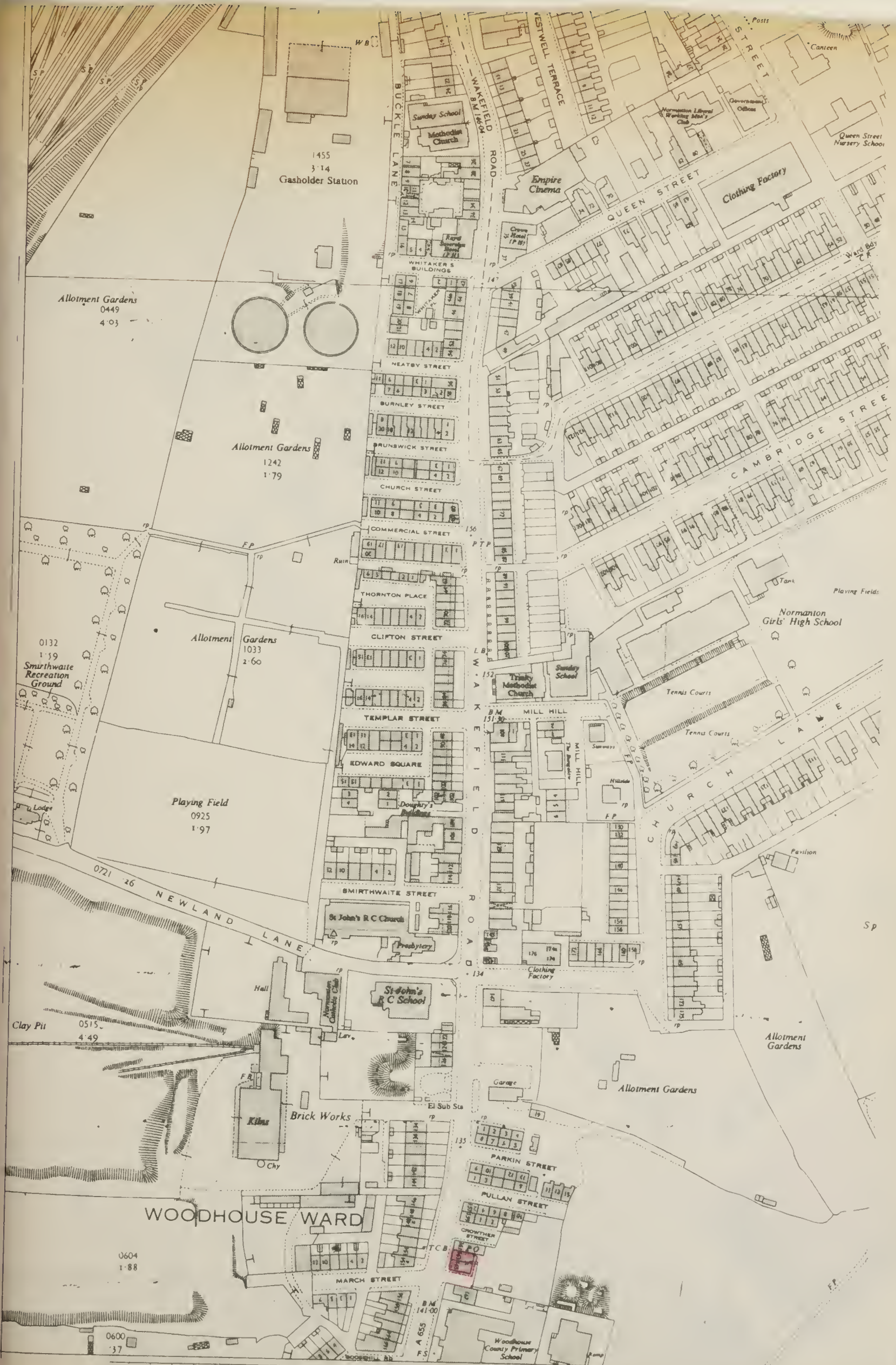




URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL BORMANTON - MILL LANE - (No. 102) - CLEARANCE
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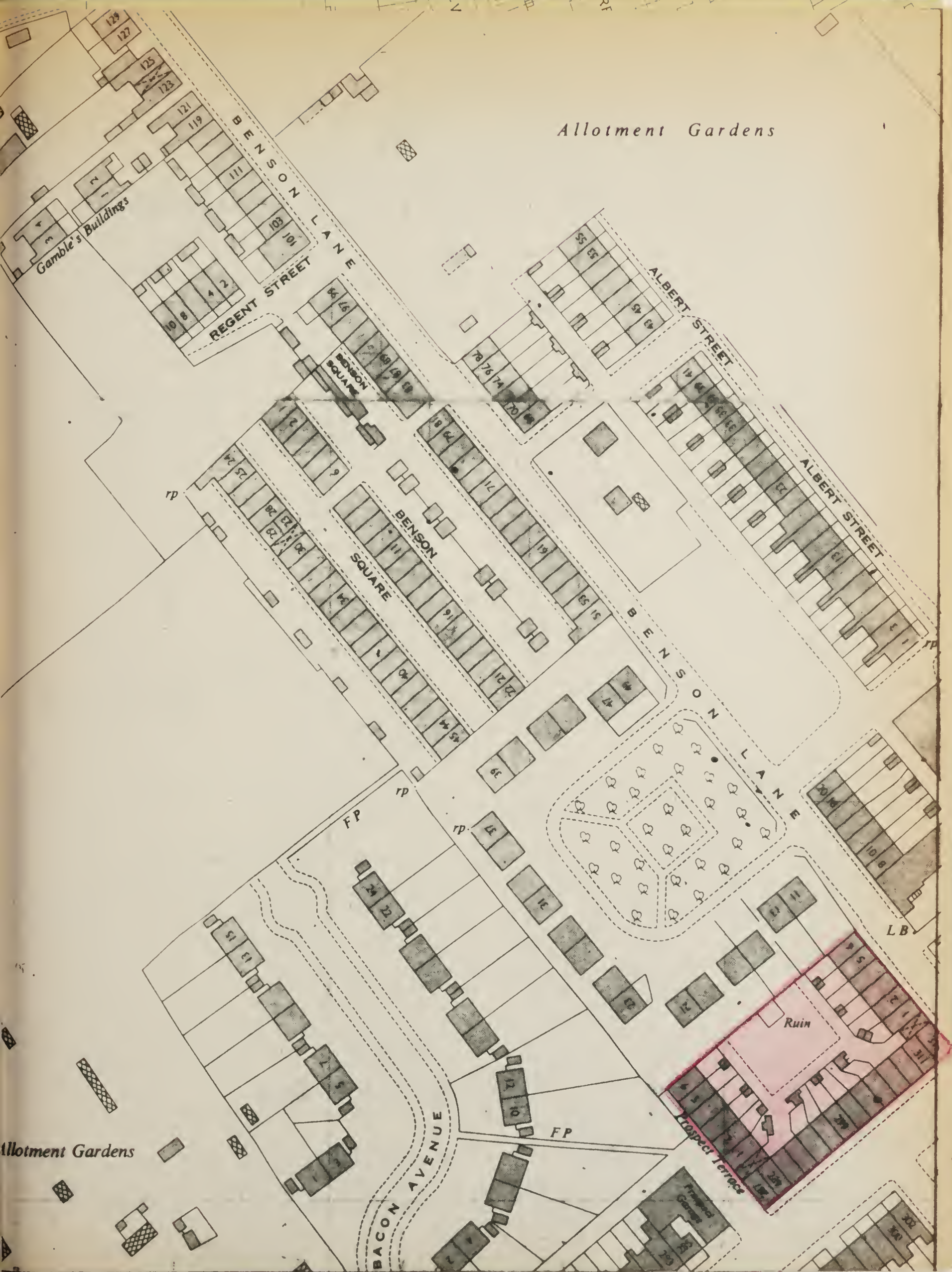




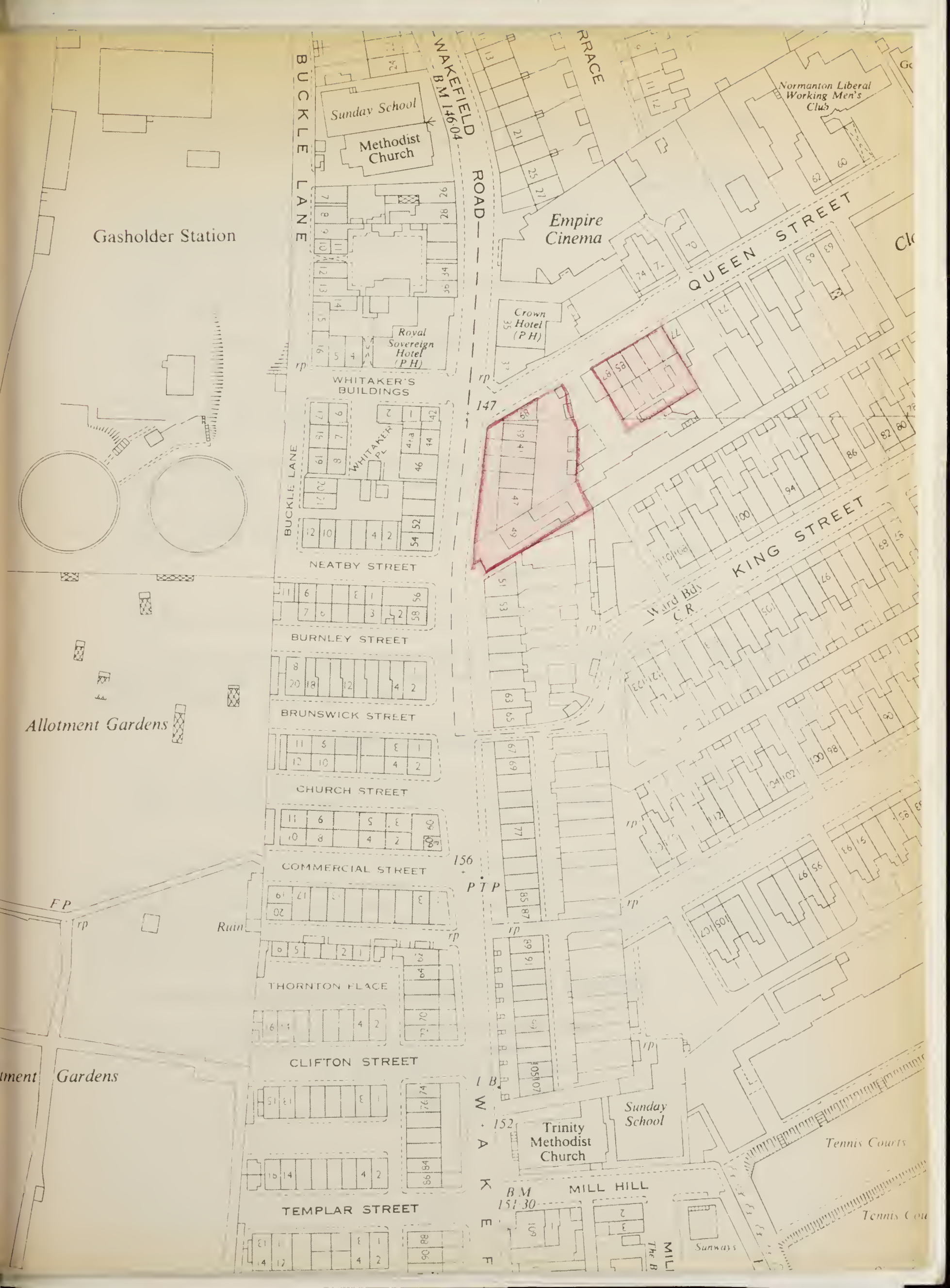




Allotment Gardens







Gasholder Station

Allotment Gardens

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Gardens

Sunday School
Methodist Church

WAKEFIELD ROAD
B.M. 14604

Empire Cinema

Crown Hotel (P.H.)

Normanton Liberal Working Men's Club

Royal Sovereign Hotel (P.H.)

WHITAKER'S BUILDINGS

BUCKLE LANE

WHITAKER'S BUILDINGS

NEATBY STREET

BURNLEY STREET

BRUNSWICK STREET

CHURCH STREET

COMMERCIAL STREET

THORNTON PLACE

CLIFTON STREET

TEMPLAR STREET

147

156

P.T.P.

I.B.

W.

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Trinity Methodist Church

Sunday School

MILL HILL

Sunways

Tennis Courts

Tennis Courts



During the year Slum Clearance was continued, and Clearance Areas were declared by the Council in respect of the following six areas:-

	<u>No. of Houses</u>
Urban District of Normanton - Castleford Road/ Dunnill Street/Argyle Street - (No. 101) - Clearance Area 1968.	30
Urban District of Normanton - Mill Lane - (No. 102) - Clearance Area 1968.	39
Urban District of Normanton - Wakefield Road - (No. 103) - Clearance Area 1968.	3
Urban District of Normanton - Castleford Road/ Benson Lane/Prospect Terrace - (No. 104) - Clearance Area 1968.	26
Urban District of Normanton - Wakefield Road/ Queen Street - (No. 105) - Clearance Area 1968	7
Urban District of Normanton - Queen Street - (No. 106) - Clearance Area 1968.	6
Total	<u>111</u>

Plans of these are included in the report.

In addition Demolition Orders were made in respect of two individual unfit houses, and also a Certificate was issued in respect of 2 local authority houses which were unfit.

HOUSING STATISTICS

No. of Dwellinghouses in District	6344
No. of Houses included in above (a) Back-to-Back	50
(b) Single back	2

It is very gratifying as more and more houses are demolished to report a reduction of the number of back-to-back houses and single back type of houses which are a carry over from the worse period of the Industrial Revolution when we led the world but condemned our citizens to squalid hovels.

Houses in Clearance Areas and Unfit Houses Elsewhere

No. of Houses included in Representations made during the year (a) in Clearance Areas	111
(b) Individual Unfit houses	2
(c) Local Authority houses certified unfit	2

	Number of Houses	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
A. 1. HOUSES DEMOLISHED In Clearance Areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	163	191	78
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.	-	-	-
(3) On land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act 1957	-	-	-
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Sections 16 or 17 (1) Housing Act 1957	2	4	4
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	2	-	-
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under Local Acts.	-	-	-
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	-	-	-
A. 2. NUMBER OF DWELLINGS INCLUDED ABOVE WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS CLOSED	-	-	-
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1), and 35 (1), Housing Act 1957	-	-	-
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act 1957	-	-	-
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act 1957	-	-	-

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	105	-
(12) After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	81	-
(b) Sections 9 and 16, Housing Act, 1957	-	-
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957	-	-

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957)

	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in Column (1)
	(1)	(2)
Position at end of year		
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation		
(a) Under Section 48	-	-
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	-	-
(c) Under Section 46	-	-
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53	-	-

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT

	Number of Houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased in the year	-	-

No. of families rehoused during the year into Council owned dwellings.

(a) Clearance Areas, etc. 82
(b) Overcrowding 55

OVERCROWDING

Survey carried out in 1935. Now out of date.

It seems ridiculous in these days when Town Planners are demanding more space for almost all development, that there is kept in being out-dated legislation introduced by the Housing Act, 1935, some 33 years ago regarding overcrowding, a standard which asked only for the minimum amount of space for each person in that basic family unit the home.

NEW DWELLINGS

No. of new dwellings completed during the year

By Local Authority 137 By Private Enterprise 55

GRANTS FOR CONVERSION OR IMPROVEMENT OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

	Formal applications received during the year	Applications approved during the year	Number of dwellings completed during year
	Number of dwellings	Number of dwellings	
(a) CONVERSIONS (The number of dwellings is the number resulting from completion of the work)	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) IMPROVEMENTS			
Discretionary	34	34	33
Standard	30	30	29

No. of Council Houses:-

(a) traditional type houses	1718
(b) prefabricated type houses	140
(c) old persons flatlets	26
caretakers flat	1

REPAIRS

The following is the list of work carried out during the year as a result of notices served:-

Roofs repaired.....	31
Chimney stacks repaired or re-built.....	3
Verge fillets repaired or renewed.....	1
Chimney pots replaced	4
Flashings to chimneys repaired or renewed.....	2
Chimney flues repaired or re-constructed.....	7
Eaves gutters cleared, repaired or renewed.....	11
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed.....	7
Gratings provided to gullies.....	3
Dampness to walls remedied.....	15
House walls repaired or re-built.....	16
Skylights repaired or renewed.....	1
Ventilation bricks provided to walls.....	2
Doors and frames repaired or renewed.....	20
Weatherbars provided and repaired.....	3
Door steps renewed.....	2
Windows repaired or re-hung or replaced	22
Sash cords replaced	15
Window heads repaired or renewed	1
Kitchen ranges repaired or renewed	17
Ovens repaired or renewed.....	3
Sitting room firegrates repaired or renewed.....	5
Bedroom firegrates repaired or renewed	2
Firebacks repaired or renewed	10
Setpots repaired or renewed	1
Ventilated food stores provided	3
Plasterwork of walls and ceilings repaired or renewed	32
Floors repaired or renewed	5
Wash-hand basins renewed	1
Sinks renewed or re-fixed	12
Broken and defective sink waste pipes renewed	4
Staircase re-constructed or repaired	2
Dustbins renewed	74
Coal store roofs repaired	2
Coal store doors repaired	4
Coal store walls repaired	2
Cellar grates renewed	1
A sufficient supply of water provided to dwellinghouse	7
New taps provided	4
W.C. roofs repaired	4
W.C. doors repaired or renewed	1
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	8
W.C. pedestal basins renewed	6
W.C. seats repaired or renewed	4
W.C. walls repaired or re-built	4

Defective connections between W.C. basin and flush pipe repaired	5
No. of premises with adequate sanitary accommodation for public use	2
Burst W.C. pipes repaired or renewed	42
Stopped W.C. drains cleared and repaired	7
Defective W.C. drains repaired or re-laid	6
Defective surface water drains cleared or repaired	5
Leaking yard drains repaired or renewed	2
Drainage systems overhauled and re-laid	34
Drains cleared	476
Vent shafts repaired or renewed	2
Yard surfaces repaired or renewed.....	8
W.C. soil pipes repaired or renewed	3
Cases of cellar flooding remedied	10
Hopper heads cleared, repaired or renewed	2
Accumulations of offensive refuse removed	4
Dirty and insanitary yards, areas etc. of buildings cleansed..	4
Dirty or insanitary premises cleansed	6
Burst water supply pipes repaired or renewed	6
Defective hot water system repaired	4
Nuisance from keeping animals abated	5
Handrails provided	12
Yard walls repaired or re-built	10
Yard gates repaired or renewed	10
Smoke nuisance	14
Manhole covers repaired or renewed	2

WATER

The whole of the water supply is obtained in bulk from Wakefield and District Water Board. It is filtered and chlorinated by the supplying authority, although owing to the uncoated condition of the mains, much of the chlorine is dissipated by the time it arrives in Normanton.

All dwellings in the district are supplied from the water mains (i.e. 100%).

No dwellings have a private piped supply.

During the year under review regular routine samples for bacteriological and chemical examinations were taken.

	No. of samples submitted	No Satisfactory
Bacteriological Samples	32	32
Chemical Samples	1	1
Totals	33	33

With the formation of the Wakefield and District Water Board on the 1st October, 1961, Local control passed from the hands of the Council and yet another function was taken over by a larger authority. It is, however, pleasing to realise that the excellent work done by the Council over the years is still with us in the form of the new water mains constructed by the Council, which will no doubt continue to render excellent service to the public of Normanton for many years to come.

WATER SUPPLY - PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS

The water used for filling is from the mains of Wakefield and District Water Board.

Routine samples of water in the Bathing Pool of the Public Swimming Baths, High Street, Normanton were submitted during the nine months the bath was open. The results are as follows:-

Month	Bacteriological Samples			Chemical Samples	
	No. Obtained	No. Satisfactory	No. Unsatisfactory	No. Obtained	No. Satisfactory.
March	4	4	-	-	-
April	6	6	-	-	-
May	10	10	-	-	-
June	6	6	-	-	-
July	8	8	-	1	1
August	6	6	-	-	-
September	6	6	-	-	-
October	8	8	-	-	-
November	6	6	-	-	-
Totals	60	60	-	-	-

A Wallace and Tiernan Breakpoint Chlorination Plant is installed and the bath was well maintained at all times. The water was changed in the middle of the swimming season.

The high standard which has been such a characteristic of the baths in Normanton over a considerable number of years was maintained.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

No. of houses connected to sewers	6314
No. of houses with satisfactory private drainage	10
All district is sewered. 20 isolated houses are beyond the reach of the sewers but no practical steps can be taken in this direction.	

Owing to the effects of Mining Subsidence over the years, the Council engaged the services of a Consulting Engineer to review the system of sewerage and sewage disposal in the Common Normanton and Woodhouse Wards. The work on this scheme was proceeding during the year.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

No. of houses provided with water closets	6324
No. of houses provided with waste water closets	4	(-.1%)	
No. of houses provided with chemical closets	14	(0.23%)	
No. of houses provided with privies	2	(0.3%)	
No. of earth closets etc., converted to water closets	...		1
No. of houses served with earth closets, etc., due to lack of sewer or water facilities	20.		

These 20 houses are beyond the reach of the sewers which cannot be extended for practical reasons.

Routine inspections were made under the Agriculture (Safety Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956. Conditions were found to be generally satisfactory.

The Council empty all chemical closets without charge and supply chemicals for the closets. This system does function satisfactorily and whilst nothing can of course be as good as a water carriage system, this is the next best thing.

Cesspools are emptied by the Karrier Yorkshire combined gully and cesspool emptying machine which is very satisfactory.

TESTING

I am responsible for testing all drains in the district to both new and old properties.

560 inspections were made during the year in connection with drainage. The smoke, colour and water tests were used in different cases.

476 drains were cleared by the Council's drain man during the year.

This is a most essential and necessary service in a coal mining district such as Normanton, where the question of mining subsidence is always somewhat of a problem.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are now no offensive trades carried on in the district. The premises previously used have now closed.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

The Council's site for showmen proved adequate and is well screened from the roadway. The Council of course continue to provide the necessary services for this site.

Considerable nuisance occurred from tinker type caravans squatting on Council land. These were removed by bulldozer on innumerable occasions.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 to 1961

INSPECTIONS

1. The following inspections were made to Factories by the Public Health Inspector:-

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	20	16	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	49	30	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworker's premises).	-	-	-	-
Totals	69	46	-	-

DEFECTS

2. The following improvements were carried out to Factory Premises during the year:-

(1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S1)	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	1	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1	2	-	1	-

There are 8 outworkers employed in the district. Conditions at these premises were satisfactory.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT

The work is carried out by the Part-Time Rodent Operator and the table set out below gives details of types of infestations dealt with. The figures shown are for the Calendar Year 1968. No difficulties were experienced.

Three of the staff were trained in the Ministry Rodent Control Methods. The keeping of animals on allotments is the main source of infestation, although no doubt subsidence is a contributory factor.

Systematic sewer treatments were carried out and in addition the table set out below shows the general work carried out by the department in this connection.

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

1. Number of properties in district
2. a. Total number of properties
(including nearby premises)
inspected following notification
- b. Number infested by (1) Rats
 (11) Mice
3. a. Total number of properties
inspected for rats and/or mice
for reasons other than
notification
- b. Number infested by (1) Rats
 (11) Mice

TYPE OF PROPERTY	
NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
6657	19
254	-
137	-
117	-
198	-
2	-
1	-

SEWERS

4. Were any sewers infested by rats during the year? Yes
.....
- Treatments carried out.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

10 timed smoke observations were taken during the year.

No industrial smoke nuisance occurred during the year.

The Urban District of Normanton - Haw Hill Park - (No. 1) - Smoke Control Order 1967 which included 152 premises and has an acreage of 56 acres or thereabouts, is working quite well. The Council have not yet made any other Orders.

The Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide Instrument at "Neville House", Neville Street, Normanton gave the details shown below during the year:-

Month	Smoke Concentration Microgrammes per Cubic Metre			Sulphur Dioxide Concentration Microgrammes per Cubic Metre		
	Average Value	Highest Value	Lowest Value	Average Value	Highest Value	Lowest Value
January	263	465	88	239	439	61
February	290	922	105	274	736	113
March	172	331	31	226	389	81
April	141	271	82	181	336	70
May	91	199	32	148	235	85
June	59	124	8	105	166	68
July	57	146	23	82	158	38
August	62	140	11	67	126	19
September	119	342	28	113	303	41
October	195	415	89	166	301	103
November	188	600	39	145	341	43
December	246	467	90	195	382	70

FOOD INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION

MILK SUPPLY

The majority of the milk sold in Normanton is bottled pasteurised milk and bottled T.T. pasteurised milk from a large combine, and from two Co-operative Societies in neighbouring districts. There are also five licenced dealers in the supply of Tuberculin Tested (Raw) Milk.

No. of dealers	70
No. of dealers licenced to sell T.T. (Raw) Milk	5
No. of dealers licenced to sell Pasteurised milk	19
No. of dealers licenced to sell Sterilised milk	68

The responsibility for the issue of milk licences previously issued by the Normanton Urban District Council now rests with the West Riding County Council.

Samples of milk were taken by the Public Health Inspector as follows:-

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Pasteurised Milk	4	-
T.T. Pasteurised Milk	-	-
Sterilised	1	-
Tuberculin Tested	2	-
Biological Tests for Tuberculosis	-	-
Culture Tests for Brucellosis	2	-

30 visits were made to licenced premises during the year.

In addition the following samples were taken by the County Public Health Inspector:-

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Pasteurised Milk	9	-
Raw Milk (T.T.)	3	-
Tests for Brucellosis	3	-

We have no pasteurising plants in the district and our raw milk from farms goes to one of the neighbouring boroughs.

From an administrative point of view this renders any action to keep check on the milk prior to pasteurisation impossible at local level.

No complaints were received during the year regarding the quality of milk delivered to the consumers and as can be seen from page 15 all the samples taken by myself and my staff were satisfactory.

Samples taken by the Officers of the West Riding County Council
within the Area

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Milk	34	-
Drugs	7	-
Other Foods	16	-

No cautions were issued and no prosecutions taken.

ICE CREAM

77 premises are registered under the provisions of Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955, 76 of these being retailers and 1 being a producer-retailer. A total of 42 inspections were made to registered premises during the year. Of these 30 visits were made to registered premises and 12 to producer-retailers premises.

No. of samples taken

No. Satisfactory 19 (Grade I)

No. Unsatisfactory NIL

MEAT INSPECTION

No slaughtering now takes place within the district, all slaughtering is done at the new public abattoir in Castleford.

There are no poultry processing premises within the district.

FOOD PREMISES

234 visits were made to butchers shops.

272 visits were made to other food shops together with 69 visits to food preparing premises.

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the district.

FOOD CONDEMNED

	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>qrs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>	<u>ozs.</u>
<u>Tinned Meats</u>				
2 tins of Ox Tongue			12	-
9 tins of Cooked Ham		3	20	-
<u>Tinned Vegetables</u>				
2 tins of Baked Beans			2	-
2 tins of Peas			2	-
1 tin of Broad Beans			1	-
<u>Tinned Fruit</u>				
1 tin of Pineapples			1	-
1 tin of Peaches			1	14
10 tins of Tomatoes			5	10
1 tin of Peas			1	14
<u>Tinned Soups</u>				
2 tins of Soup			1	14
<u>Tinned Cereals</u>				
2 tins of Rice			2	-
<u>Tinned Milk</u>				
2 tins of Milk			1	2
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
67 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. of Chuck Steak			67	12
33 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of Shin Beef			33	8
Full Total	2	-	13	10

FOOD AND DRUGS ADMINISTRATION

The list of food shops in the district is as follows:-

Fish and Chip shops	24
Butchers	33
Greengrocers (Retail)	16
Greengrocers (Wholesale and Stores)	5
Grocers	63
Mixed Businesses	39
Sweet and Tobacco	12
Confectioners	8
Bakehouses	7
Snack bars and Cafes	4

272 visits were made under the Act and the Food Hygiene Regulations as a result of which the following action was taken:-

No. of written informal notices served under the Act and Regulations
23

No. of cases in which verbal notices were given 4

The following is a summary of the work carried out as a result of the action taken above.

Shop fronts repaired or renewed	1
Defective ceilings repaired or renewed	2
Defective floors repaired or renewed	1
Paved yards provided or re-laid	1
Sinks provided	3
Ventilation provided to shops, food-rooms etc	2
Hot water supply provided	3
Wash-hand basins provided	2
Soap and towels provided to shops, food-rooms etc	3
Walls of shops and food-rooms decorated	3
Ceilings of shops and food-rooms re-decorated	2
Glass shown cases provided to shops	2
Other action taken to prevent contamination of food	2
Notices provided in Sanitary Conveniences regarding washing of hands	3
Refrigerators provided	3

A close check was kept during the year on food delivery vans and the following is a summary of the work carried out as a result of the above action.

Proper washing facilities provided on delivery vans 2

No legal action was taken during the year.

MARKETS

The Council some time ago carried out major improvements to the Market to comply with the Food Hygiene (Market, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations 1966.

Each food stall now is totally enclosed on three sides, has a concrete floor, is lined with impervious material, and has a sink and wash hand basin with hot and cold water, and electric points for heating.

The Council can be justly proud of their market.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND DISINFECTION

58 visits were made during the year to cases of infectious diseases and 31 disinfections were carried out after infectious diseases.

69 library and other books were disinfected during the year in the cabinet modified for this purpose.

Bedding was disinfected at the Sanitary and Cleansing Department, Castleford, the Council's van being used for transporting this.

PESTOLOGY

The following 53 disinfestations were carried out to the houses shown, for the following reasons:-

Bugs	4
Woodbeetles	13
Blackclocks	20
Silverfish	12
Ants	4
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	53
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The Council now do not carry out Hydrogen Cyanide Fumigation of furniture from Slum Clearance Houses, but rely on D.D.T., instead where this is necessary.

PETROLEUM ACTS

12 premises are licenced to store petroleum and all these have under-ground tanks.

26 visits were paid during the year to premises licenced under the Act.

WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL GENERAL POWERS ACT, 1951

32 Hairdressers and Barbers were registered under the above Act at the end of the year, as also were 23 Food Hawkers and 5 Food Hawkers premises.

The total number of visits made for the purpose of the Act was 40.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT AND REGULATIONS 1951

No. of premises registered under the Act	1
No. of premises licenced for manufacture or storage for distribution of such materials	Nil
No. of visits made under the Act during the year	2
No. of samples taken	Nil
No cautions were issued and no prosecutions were made.	

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

Two pet shops are licenced under the above Act, one in respect of birds and goldfish and the other in respect of birds, goldfish and tortoises.

9 visits were made during the year when it was found that the requirements of the Act were being complied with.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS

There are no Animal Boarding Establishments in the district.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following are details of action taken under the above-mentioned Act during the year.

TABLE A - REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Class of Premises (1)	Number of premises registered during the year (2)	Total number of registered premises at end of year (3)	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year (4)
Offices	-	21	11
Retail Shops	4	75	48
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	6	4
Catering establishments opened to the public, canteens	-	10	5
Fuel Storage depots	-	-	-
Totals	4	112	68

TABLE B - NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES -
(92)

TABLE C

ANALYSIS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES BY WORKPLACE

Class of workplace (1)	Number of persons employed (2)
Offices	61
Retail shops	218
Wholesale departments, Warehouses	41
Catering establishments open to the public	55
Canteens	-
Fuel storage depots	-
Total	375
Total Males	136
Total Females	239

TABLE D. EXEMPTIONS - Nil

TABLE E. PROSECUTIONS - Nil

TABLE F. INSPECTORS

No. of Inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5)
of the Act

2

No. of other staff employed for most of their time on
work in connection with the Act

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PUBLIC CLEANSING SERVICE

The Council is responsible for all refuse collection and disposal
and for the collection and subsequent disposal of salvage.

(1) Refuse Storage

The following are the types of receptacles in use
at the end of the year:-

Dustbins	7322
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Privy Middens	2
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Pail Closets	14
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Galvanised dustbins recommended and sold by the department are the
2½ cubic feet B.S.B. bins galvanised after manufacture.

The privy middens and pail closets mentioned above are unfortunately
beyond the reach of the sewer.

(2) Refuse Collection Service

The following table gives the number and types of
receptacles cleansed:-

Dustbins	374096
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Privy Middens	104
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Pail Closets	728
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Collections take place at weekly intervals for most of the year and
at intervals of 10 days during the very bad weather.

(3) Transport

Three S/D 16 cubic yard Fore and Aft Tippers and a Karrier Bantam
10 cubic yard Dual Tip Refuse Collector.

(4) Staff

Drivers	4
Ashmen	15
Tipman	1
Salvage Man	1

Our Salvage Bonus helped to supplement the wages of the workmen besides providing a worth while service and ensuring a good collection of salvage.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

The method of refuse disposal is by controlled tipping and the number of load tipped was 3136 split up as follows:-

Snydale Tip	50
Newland Tip	<u>3086</u>
	<u>3136</u>

The tip at Newland was very useful and this is centrally situated which cuts down delivery time to the tip. Snydale tip was useful when difficulties were experienced in getting on Newland tip due to fire.

During the year the David Brown Bulldozer carried out excellent service at the tip. It had to be supplemented from time-to-time by the use of the Weatherill loading shovel. Both in their own way proved excellent.

Normanton is a mining district and the tonnage of refuse obtained is in consequence very high. It is interesting in this connection to note that due to the increasing number of all night burning grates, very often the residue was placed in the dustbin in a very hot condition and on many occasions it was necessary to slake the refuse in the dustbin with water before it could be loaded into the lorry, so as to prevent ignition of the combustibles, such as paper in the refuse. This can be a serious matter as it is a potential source of tip fires. There was one tip fire during the year.

More and more new household goods of all kinds are being pre-packed often in materials which have no salvage value such as polythene. These packages and containers accumulate at the tips in large quantities and add to the problem of refuse disposal particularly during the Summer months when the ash content is low and proportion of these materials is high.

SALVAGE

The material salvaged is waste paper.

The following are the figures for the financial year showing the amounts of salvageable materials collected and the cash obtained:-

	<u>Tons.</u>	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Qrs.</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
<u>Waste Paper</u>						
April - September	58	12	3	468	4	0
October - December	34	5	0	299	13	9
January - March	27	10	1	240	12	6
	<u>120</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>£1,003</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>

TOTAL SALVAGE REVENUE

	<u>Tons.</u>	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Qrs.</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
Waste Paper	120	8	0	£1,008	10	3

In any business, and the manufacture of board from Waste Paper is no exception, there are bound to be periodical fluctuations in demand but in spite of this our collection and sales have been maintained fairly well.

URBAN DISTRICT OF NORMANTON
DETAILS OF REFUSE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL AND SALVAGE COSTS
1st April, 1968 - 31st March, 1969

	£
Haulage Costs for Vehicles, including Drivers Wages	8241
Operational Wages, Superannuation and National Insurance, - Loaders, Tip Men, Baling Shed and Salvage	15272
Tools, baling wire and general repairs	250
Electricity	120
Protective Clothing	160
Fighting Tip fires	185
Rents and Rates payable	945
Pump Shaft Maintenance	100
Pumping arrangements	200
Extra fence at tip	400
New heater baling shed	76
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	25815
Less Salvage Receipts,	1008
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	24807
Central Establishment	3555
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	28362
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CONCLUSION

This report would be incomplete were I not to express appreciation of the work of the staff in my department, in particular Mr. J. A. Lindsay the Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector, also Mr. B. Rawdon the Pupil Public Health Inspector who left the services of the Council after qualifying as a Public Health Inspector, Mr. D. Marshall the Junior Assistant, and Mrs. P. M. Senior the departments Shorthand/Typist. The staff members have worked well during the year and deserve all the praise that can be given them.

May I also extend my thanks to the workmen in my department for their efforts during the year.

In conclusion I should like to thank the Members of the Council, the heads and individual members of other departments of the Council, and the Medical Officer of Health for their help and assistance during the year.

I am

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. Wilson

Chief Public Health Inspector.

APPENDIX

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1961

Details regarding the above Acts are included on pages

2/11, and 2/12

